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In re Application of:

Y. Bronicki

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2003. The three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on May 13, 2003. Therefore, this response and amendment should be considered timely filed.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as per attached with this response and amendment. Attachment A contains a marked-up copy of the claim amendments, while Attachment B contains a clean copy of the amended claims.